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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 29 October 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-16 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-16 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 29 October 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 02/27/03, 01/15/04, 12/10/04, 02/22/05
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(a) the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

Claims 1-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by Ribak (US 20020085043A1).

With respect to claim 1, Ribak discloses a context-responsive display system and method for displaying information regarding the operation of in-vehicles devices and personalized context information as claimed. Referring to figure 5 of Ribak, the display system (10) having a plurality of buttons (90, 95, 100, 105, and 110) for accessing context information, and the display (130) is considered as a device for displaying the personalized context information or receiving the context information. Ribak also discloses an identifier for identifying the personalized context information which is the screen showing the identification of person who calling in. (Ribak, figure 5, 130). In Ribak, an individual driver's preferences are stored in a memory or processor (30) (Ribak, page 6, paragraph 0086). In addition, as represented in page 7, paragraph 0087, Ribak further teach that the personal context information may be downloaded

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from a data storage device which is not limited to a diskette, a smart card, a memory stick and a microdrive, and also there is an interface for communicating said data storage device to one or more of the vehicle devices.

With regard to claim 2, Ribak disclosed that the personalized context information is stored from a PDA (see page 7, paragraph 0087).

With regard to claim 3, Ribak teaches that the input to the processor (30) (Ribak figure 3) includes an input from an auxiliary device such as Internet browser.

With regard to claim 4, Ribak shows that the display system as represented herein can receive personal user preferences from a PDA (Ribak, page 7, paragraph 0087).

With regard to claim 5, Ribak also discloses wireless interface (Ribak, page 6, paragraph 0081).

With regard to claim 6, Ribak discloses a plurality of audio devices (60) and that said audio devices may include the following: audio equipment, television, cellular telephone, or PDA. In addition, figure 3 shows that the processor (30) acts as a vehicle control module.

With regard to claim 7, the user preferences is represented herein comprises user preferences settings (Ribak, page 6, paragraph 0085).

With regard to claim 8, the data storage discussed above is portable (Ribak, page 7, paragraph 0087).

With respect to claim 9, Ribak discloses a context-responsive display system and method for displaying information regarding the operation of in-vehicles devices and

personalized context information as claimed. Referring to figure 5 of Ribak, the display system (10) having a plurality of buttons (90, 95, 100, 105, and 110) for accessing context information, and the display (130) is considered as a device for displaying the personalized context information or receiving the context information. Ribak also discloses an identifier for identifying the personalized context information which is the screen showing the identification of person who calling in. (Ribak, figure 5, 130). In Ribak, an individual driver's preferences are stored in a memory or processor (30) (Ribak, page 6, paragraph 0086). In addition, as represented in page 7, paragraph 0087, Ribak further teach that the personal context information may be downloaded from a data storage device which is not limited to a diskette, a smart card, a memory stick and a microdrive, and also there is an interface for communicating said data storage device to one or more of the vehicle devices.

With regard to claim 10, in Ribak patent, the step of "storing the identified personal context information comprises storing an address pointer in memory indicative of the source of the personal context information" has not been mentioned, however, such feature is inherently disclosed in Ribak because the memory of processor (30) (Ribak, page 7, paragraph 0089) stores a plurality of user preferences information as they are shown in figure 7 and 8.

With regard to claim 11, Ribak teaches that the input to the processor (30) (Ribak figure 3) includes an input from an auxiliary device such as Internet browser.

With regard to claim 12, Ribak discloses a plurality of audio devices (60) and that said audio devices can include the following: audio equipment, television, cellular

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telephone, or PDA. In addition, figure 3 shows that the processor (30) acts as a vehicle control module.

With regard to claim 13, Ribak shows that the display system as represented herein can receive personal user preferences from a PDA (Ribak, page 7, paragraph 0087).

With regard to claim 14, Ribak discloses that a user can selected the telephone function by pressing the button (95) (Ribak, figure 4, 95) in order to make an outgoing call. Thus a wireless communication is therefore established between the onboard vehicle device and the external device.

With regard to claim 15, the user preferences is represented herein comprises user preferences settings (Ribak, page 6, paragraph 0085).

With regard to claim 16, the data storage discussed above is portable (Ribak, page 7, paragraph 0087).

Conclusions

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tuan C To whose telephone number is (703) 308-6273. The examiner can normally be reached on from 8:00AM to 5:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thomas Black can be reached on (703) 305-8233.

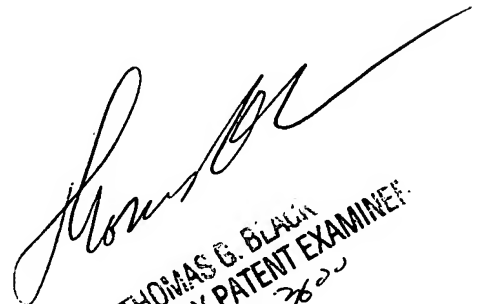
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